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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Gerard J. Tate Application No. **10/736,114** Filed on December 15, 2003

Re Office Action of Nov. 26, 2004 Examiner Lavinder Group Art Unit 3677

Title: FASTENER FOR USE WITH SHOES

SUBSTITUTION OF DRAWINGS REQUEST

Commissioner for Patents Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 26, 2004, please substitute in the above application the four pages of formal drawings accompanying this request covering FIGS. 1-8, as replacement for the originally filed 9 pages of informal drawings filed December 15, 2003.

Should there be any questions or identify any problems, feel free to call me at (212) 867-6800 so that any such problems can be cleared up promptly.

Dated: February 28, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I hereby certify that on March 1, 2005, I placed the following documents in connection with a patent application for a FASTENER FOR USE WITH SHOES, application no. 10/736,114 (i) Amendment (ii) check for \$60 for response within one month (iii) power of attorney (iv) Request for Extension of Time for response within one month (v) four pages of formal drawings as Replacement Sheets (vi) Drawing Substitution Request and (vii) acknowledgment postcard

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